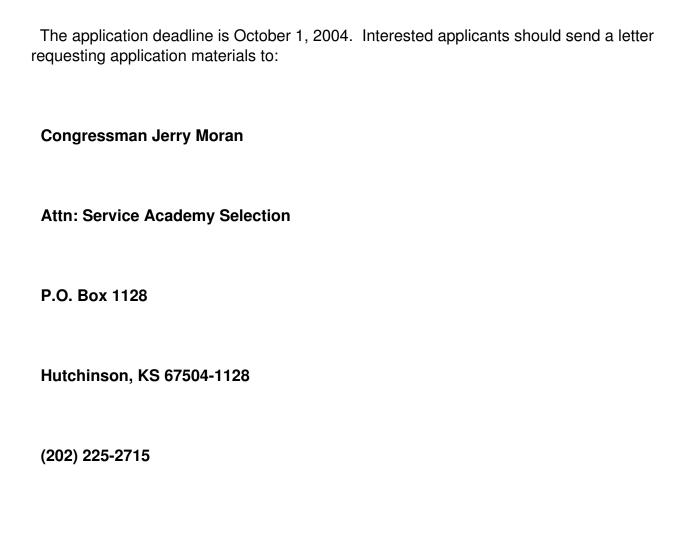
<b>Deadline Ap</b>	proaching	for U.S.	<b>Service</b>	Academy	y Ap	plications

HUTCHINSON - Congressman Jerry Moran today announced that applications are still being accepted from young men and women interested in seeking nominations to the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado; the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland; the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, New York; and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, New York. Those selected will enter the academies in June of 2005.

Selections are based on SAT or ACT test scores, class rank, grade point average, school records, extracurricular activities, leadership potential, motivation, recommendations and interview evaluations. Applicants must be legal residents of the state of Kansas, at least 17 years of age but not past their 23 birthday on July 1 of the year of admission, citizens of the United States, unmarried, not pregnant, and without legal obligation to support children or other dependents.

If nominated by Moran, the applicants then must meet the individual admission requirements of each academy. The academies will make the final decision on who will receive an appointment of admission. Due to limited placement, Moran encourages all interested candidates to apply also to the offices of U.S. Senators Sam Brownback and Pat Roberts.



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